

1GC | Family Law

Jillian Hurworth

Year of Call: 1993



Practice Overview

Jill specialises in children work, covering public law proceedings, international movement of children, and private law. She also undertakes Court of Protection cases.

Jill's public law work includes care proceedings, adoption, wardship and advisory work. She acts for parents & other extended family members, local authorities throughout the country, as well as the children themselves. She is very experienced in cases of serious injury to children and multi-expert proceedings. Jill is happy to act in and advise upon cases concerning special advocates, local authority support for children, placement of children outside the jurisdiction, designated authority issues, and foster carer adoption.

Jill appears regularly in the High Court in relation to international children cases, including abduction work (both Hague and non-Hague Convention cases, and abduction within the UK), placement of a child outside the jurisdiction, location orders and other Tipstaff orders.

Within her private law work Jill regularly conducts and advises all aspects of children law including: residence, special guardianship and contact applications; permission to remove a child from the jurisdiction; changing a child's name; and the full range of prohibited steps and specific issue orders.

She also works with Guardians in separate representation cases.

Having also formerly practised in criminal law Jill has expertise in issues such as disclosure to and from the police, CPS and criminal courts, Public Interest Immunity applications and linked care and criminal proceedings.

Jill is also happy to accept public access instructions.

Children (public law)

Children (private law)

Court of Protection

Domestic violence & injunctions

International family law

Reported Cases

Shipton v Foulkes [2001] 3 FCR 306, [2001] EWCA Civ 324

Education

MA (Cantab) 1989

Appointments

Advocacy Trainer, Inner Temple, 2005

Training sessions for expert witnesses 2009

Workshop for psychologists on giving evidence in court 2010

Memberships & Associations

Member Family Law Bar Association (FLBA)

Inner Temple

Personal

Skiing, shopping, socialising (competent); sailing, kitesurfing, golf (incompetent); hiking (past endeavours include the Great Wall of China, Machu Picchu, Norwegian glaciers to fjords); Cornwall; wine; modern jazz; gardens; modern British, American and Scandinavian fiction (Sara Lund's jumpers a specialist subject).